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Sir:

The above-identified application has been submitted <u>without</u> an executed oath or declaration.

It is respectfully requested that this application be assigned a serial number and awarded a filing date pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(b).

A duly executed oath or declaration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63 will be submitted after notification by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(f).

A non-executed copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, containing the inventorship information, is attached. It is respectfully requested that all communications be directed to the firm indicated on the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney, namely:

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The required U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Filing Fee is submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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